

Environment Committee Testimony S.B. 832
Public Hearing Feb 22, 2017

Co-Chair: Senator Kennedy
Co-Chair: Senator Minor
Co-Chair: Representative Demicco
Members of the Committee

I am writing to you to express my thoughts on S.B. 832 AN ACT CONCERNING THE PREVENTION OF THE HABITUATION OF DANGEROUS WILD ANIMALS.

I am in SUPPORT of S.B. 832. The DEEP needs laws and regulations that support all forms of Wildlife Management. When we find that law and authorized regulation do not offer the DEEP a means to “manage effectively”, then changes are needed. Feeding of ‘dangerous wild animals’ is just such a circumstance that needs new law and subsequent regulation. I believe S.B. 832 provides that remedy.

I fully support of the proposal of S.B. 832, to give the Commissioner of DEEP the authority to regulate and enforce inappropriate feeding of a dangerous class of wild animals on private property in the State of Connecticut.

Thank you for your time and thoughtful considerations on this proposed bill.

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